

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Frederick Dorchak on July 27, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 4, line 12, the sentence, --The indentation is delimited on a first side by a shell body portion of the shell body and on a second side by the tongue the indentation having a width that narrows from a separation area, the width being measured along a line perpendicular to the shell body portion and from the shell body portion to a side of the tongue facing the shell body portion.-- has been added after, "the shell axis 7."

Election/Restrictions

This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 2 and 3 directed to inventions non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 2 and 3 have been cancelled.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JUSTIN KRAUSE whose telephone number is (571)272-3012. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Richard Ridley can be reached on 571-272-6917. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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